ALERT DETECTION AND MANAGEMENT", and contemporaneously filed nonprovisional patent application number 09/411,407 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PERFORMING NETWORK-BASED CONTROL FUNCTIONS ON AN ALERT-ENABLED MANAGED CLIENT".

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add claims 29-31 and please cancel claims 25-28 without prejudice.

29.   (New) A computing device comprising:

a management application; and

an alert proxy to translate command data received from the management application into device-specific control data.

30.   (New) The computing device of claim 29, wherein the alert proxy further to transform device-specific alert data into plain text explanations of the alert.

31.   (New) The computing device of claim 30, wherein the device-specific alert data includes Basic Input/Output System (BIOS) Power-on Self Test (POST) codes.